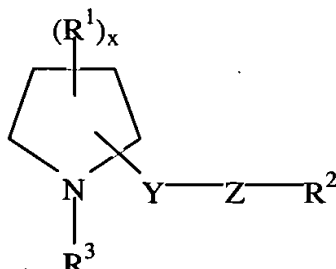


1. (Amended) A compound of the formula



wherein

x is from 0 to 2;

R^1 is selected from the group consisting of hydroxy, C_1 to C_9 alkoxy (optionally substituted by halo), C_1 to C_9 cycloalkylalkoxy (wherein the cycloalkyl group is optionally substituted by C_1 to C_4 alkyl or halo, and the alkoxy group is optionally substituted by halo), arylalkoxy (wherein the aryl group is optionally substituted by C_1 to C_4 alkyl, C_1 to C_3 alkoxy or halo, and the alkoxy group is optionally substituted by halo) and C_1 to C_9 alkyl amino (wherein the alkyl group is optionally substituted by halo)

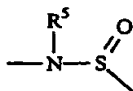
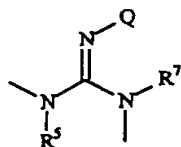
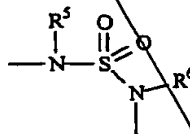
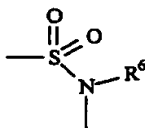
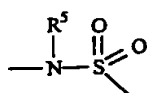
R^2 is selected from the group consisting of H, alkyl, aryl, arylalkyl, cycloalkyl and cycloalkylalkyl, wherein alkyl moieties are optionally substituted by halo, and aryl groups are optionally substituted by C_1 to C_4 alkyl, C_1 to C_4 alkoxy and halo,

R^3 is absent when $-Y-Z-R^2$ is attached to W, or R^3 is selected from the group consisting of H, C_1 to C_7 alkyl and benzyl, when

$-Y-Z-R^2$ is not attached to W;

Y replaces a hydrogen atom on any of A, B, W and X, and is C_2 to C_{10} alkylene, in which one non-terminal carbon atom may be replaced by O; and

Z is

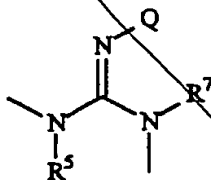


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wherein R^5 , R^6 and R^7 are independently H or C_1 to C_{15} hydrocarbyl, in which up to 3 carbon atoms may be replaced by O or N, and up to 3 hydrogen atoms may be replaced by halogen, and Q is H or methyl, or Q is linked to R^5 or R^7 to form a five-membered ring or Q is linked to R^2 to form a six-membered ring, provided that when Z is



at least one of R^5 and R^7 is aryl(C_1 to C_3)alkyl or cycloalkyl(C_1 to C_3)alkyl, optionally substituted by halo;
provided that Y is C_5 to C_{10} alkylene when Z is $-N(R^5)SO_2-$ or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

Please add the following new claim.

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29. (New) A compound selected from the group consisting of:

N-(2-pyrrolidin-1-yl-ethyl)-2-naphthalenesulfonamide,

N-(3-pyrrolidin-1-yl-propyl)-2-naphthalenesulfonamide,

N-(4-pyrrolidin-1-yl-butyl)-2-naphthalenesulfonamide,

N-(2-pyrrolidin-1-yl-ethyl)-N-methyl-2-naphthalenesulfonamide, and

N-(2-(1-methyl-pyrrolidin-2-yl-ethyl)-2-naphthalenesulfonamide.